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Fahd honors Karamanlis

Saudi-Greek talks open today



ARRIVAL: Crown Prince Fahd welcomes Greek Premier Constantine Karamanlis in Riyadh Sunday. The Greek prime minister starts talks with Saudi officials Monday. (SPA) "Okaz"

Karamanlis said his government refused to recognize Israel because of Greece's pro-Arab stand "inspite of all the pressures brought upon us and difficulties with our western allies because of our pro-Arab position."

Other issues covered may include the implications for the region of civil unrest in Turkey and Iran.

In economic relations, Greece exported SR700 million worth of goods to Saudi Arabia.

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Problems sighted

Khalil recalled from talks



CAMP DAVID MEETING: U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan and Egyptian Foreign Minister Muammar Kamal confirming the peace negotiations at Camp David Md. Saturday.—(AP wirephoto)

Egyptian and Israeli delegations had consulted their governments.

An official Egyptian source quoted by "Al-Ahram" said the return of Khalil "points to the existence of problems."

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Turkey parliament votes extension to martial law

ANKARA, Feb. 25 (AP) — A joint session of Turkey's parliament Sunday approved a two month extension of martial law in 13 of the country's 67 provinces.

Of 563 members, 337 voted in favor, 225 against, 67 did not vote and one member abstained.

In a similar vote establishing martial law two months ago, a joint session approved the move by an overwhelming majority of 537 votes.

The main opposition to the

extension of martial law came from the Justice Party of former Premier Suleyman Demirel, who has claimed that a "watered-down" version of martial law implemented by the present government was "ineffective" and "caused a doubt over the prestige of the armed forces."

Other opposition parties also criticized the government's handling of emergency measures but said martial law must continue.

In a debate before the vote, Premier Bulent Ecevit countered Demirel's charges by saying that implementation of martial law "in accordance with the rules of democracy and law" had increased Turkey's respectability in the world.

Ecevit declared that "democratic goals could only be realized through democratic instruments and methods." In a veiled reference to the crisis in Iran, the premier said in this age "terror against terror has been proven not to be a solution."

Ecevit said "relative reduction" in political terrorism was the result of two months of martial law so far in the large cities of Ankara and Istanbul and 11 eastern provinces.

Ecevit announced that there were 509 incidents of political violence and 258 deaths in these provinces in the two months before martial law, but in the last two months the figures dropped to 243 incidents and 97 killed.

Iran warns Soviets against interference

TEHRAN, Feb. 25 (AP) — Ayatollah Khomeini has told the Soviet ambassador to Iran that "we are determined to fight with all our strength those who want to interfere in our internal affairs," an aide to the Ayatollah revealed Sunday.

Khomeini, replying to a congratulatory message from Kremlin leaders Saturday night, was quoted as telling Ambassador Vladimir Vinogradov:

"The nation has a duty to defend its independence and integrity against any power and we ask all foreign powers not to interfere in our domestic affairs. If they abide by this, then we will have good and friendly relations with them."

The meeting at Khomeini's headquarters at Refah School in south Tehran was the first the 78-year-old leader has had with an envoy of a super power since his revolution toppled the monarchy two weeks ago.

A U.S. embassy spokesman said he knew of no immediate plans for American Ambassador William Sullivan to meet with the Ayatollah.

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Soviets orbit new spacecraft

MOSCOW, Feb. 25 (R) — The Soviet Union Sunday launched a "manned" spacecraft, "Soyuz-32," included a link up with the space station Salyut-6.

Tass said all systems were functioning normally on the Soyuz after the launch.

It said the crew on board included commander Lt. Col. Vladimir Lyakhov and flight engineer Valery Ryumin.

Lyakhov, 37, is making his first flight into space after long ground training.

His assistant, Ryumin, 39, made his first space flight in October, 1977 as flight engineer on board the spaceship Soyuz.

The new space probe is likely to continue exploratory work done by previous cosmonauts Alexander Kovalynok and Alexander Ivanchukov who returned to Earth last November after a record breaking 140 days in space.

The two Soviet cosmonauts, both in their mid thirties, worked for almost 20 weeks aboard the orbiting laboratory Salyut-6 and their completed mission crowned a series of Soviet successes in space.

Scientists were thought to have been particularly pleased with the health of the two cosmonauts and the speed with which they adapted to Earth atmosphere after prolonged weightlessness.

Soviet television showed film

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Paper says

Cancelled Fahd visit to impair peace talks

By a Staff Reporter

JEDDAH, Feb. 25 — The postponement of next month's visit to Washington of Crown Prince Fahd will have a major impact on the present round of peace talks at Camp David, "Al-Medina" newspaper quoted American officials as saying Sunday.

In a despatch from Washington, the paper said that the postponement would also seriously affect the Middle East situation in general.

The Crown Prince was due to hold talks on March 13-14 with U.S. President Jimmy Carter on the current phase in the peace negotiations as well as questions of oil production and mutual security raised by events in Iran, according to recent statements by U.S. officials here.

The visit was postponed because both sides needed more time to study various issues, Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal told "Al-Medina".

The visit was originally planned in the momentum of the first talks at Camp David last

September as part of U.S. efforts to persuade Saudi Arabia to drop its reservations about the negotiations as an adequate basis for a comprehensive settlement.

"Al-Medina" quoted the U.S. sources as saying that the cancellation of the visit underlined "the United States failure to heed Saudi warnings that (Camp David) is an incomplete solution to the Middle East problem."

"Al-Medina" also quoted a statement of President Carter that Israel remained the key to the U.S. security in the Middle East and referred to recent anti-Saudi remarks by Sen. Frank Church (D-Ida.).

"In such an atmosphere, a visit by any leading Saudi especially Prince Fahd would be quite unreasonable," the sources were quoted as saying.

At the same time, the crown prince is presumed to have cancelled a planned stopover in Paris for talks with President Giscard d'Estaing on March 11 although French officials here have received no official notification.

League head calls Arabs to settle their differences

RIYADH, Feb. 25 (SPA) — Secretary General of the Arab League Mahmoud Riad Sunday urged Arab countries to resolve their differences.

Speaking on arrival in Riyadh for Monday's 26th session of the League's Council for Arab Economic Unity (CAEU) Riad said, "We have to settle our own differences to face changing developments in the Middle East."

Heading Monday's agenda, Riad said, were proposals for legal safeguards for Arab investment in other Arab states and moves to lift restrictions on inter-Arab trade. "Trade between Arab and foreign countries is growing much

faster than inter-Arab commerce", he said.

Finance and economy ministers of the League member states started arriving Sunday for the council session.

Cabinet okays export of scrap

JEDDAH, Feb. 25 — The Council of Ministers has lifted its five-year ban on the export of cast iron, steel and scrap as a major step toward the clearing of junk cars and scrap metal from streets and ports, Customs Department Director General Hamed Al-Rashoudi told "Al-Jazirah" Sunday.



VISITING: West Australia's visiting minister of industrial development Andrew Mensarov.

West Australian minister offers expertise in mines

By James Buchan

JEDDAH, Feb. 25 — West Australia's minister of industrial development, mines, fuel and resources, Andrew Mensarov left for Riyadh Sunday afternoon after talks here with Saudi officials on mining and mining technology.

Mensarov arrived here Friday evening for six days of meetings with government officials. Saturday Mensarov met Assistant Deputy Minister for Petroleum and Mineral Resources Ghazi Assad.

The arid and mineral-rich Australian district is ready to provide minerals and mining technology to Saudi Arabia, Australian officials said Sunday. At present, a Western Australian is chief geologist for the ministry's Directorate General for Mineral Resources but there are no government-to-government arrangements.

In Riyadh, Mensarov is expected to meet the new director of research and development at the agriculture ministry, Abdul Latif Ajaji to discuss farming in arid lands and

Pakistan potato sellers plan visit

JEDDAH, Feb. 25 — The Pakistan Embassy in Jeddah has announced that a four-member potato sales delegation will be visiting Saudi Arabia from March 3 to March 9. The group will be led by Director-General of Pakistan Agricultural Storage and Services Corp., Bashir Ahmad Qureshi.

Arafat alleges Zionist desecration

MECCA, Feb. 25 (SPA) — Secretary General of the Muslim World League Sheikh Muhammad Ali Al-Harakan Saturday received a written message from PLO chairman Yasser Arafat alleging Zionist violations of Muslim holy places in the occupied Arab territories.

A conference of endowments ministers and Muslim intellectuals, due to open here March 20, will discuss the allegations as well as the dissemination of Islam.

On 3-day visit

Solaim leading trade mission to France

By Tim Sisley

JEDDAH, Feb. 25 — Commerce Minister Dr. Soliman A. Solaim left Riyadh for Paris Sunday for a three-day official visit at the invitation of the French minister of external trade, Jean-François Deniau. The visit returns one made by Deniau's predecessor, M. Rossy.

Dr. Solaim is accompanied by a delegation made up of Abdul Rahman Al-Zamel, deputy governor of the General Electricity Organization, the director of foreign trade at the Ministry of Commerce, the heads of the Chambers of Commerce of Jeddah, Riyadh and Dammam, and three businessmen from each city.

The businessmen are to meet their French counterparts, while Dr. Solaim will hold talks with Deniau, Minister of Economy M. Monory and Minister of Internal Trade M. Barrot. He will also visit the Rungis supermarket in Paris, the largest in Europe.

French officials in the Kingdom say that the ministers will be keen to explore areas for French activity in Saudi Arabia, and particularly where firms active in Iran before the troubles might enter the Kingdom. They will also be interested in Saudi views on the world economic situation, as well as being anxious to promote French sales here. Electrical equipment is seen as an area with scope for growth in sales.

It was meanwhile announced in Jeddah Sunday that a mission from the Union Francaise des Industries Exportatrices would shortly be arriving in the Kingdom. Representing 13

ing 10 mission officials.

The mission is organized by the Northern Ireland Chambers of Commerce and includes representatives of firms manufacturing textiles, carpets, dairy products and building materials.

The mission members will be in Riyadh Friday night through March 4 and the Province, March 5-9.

It is the second mission organized by the chamber.

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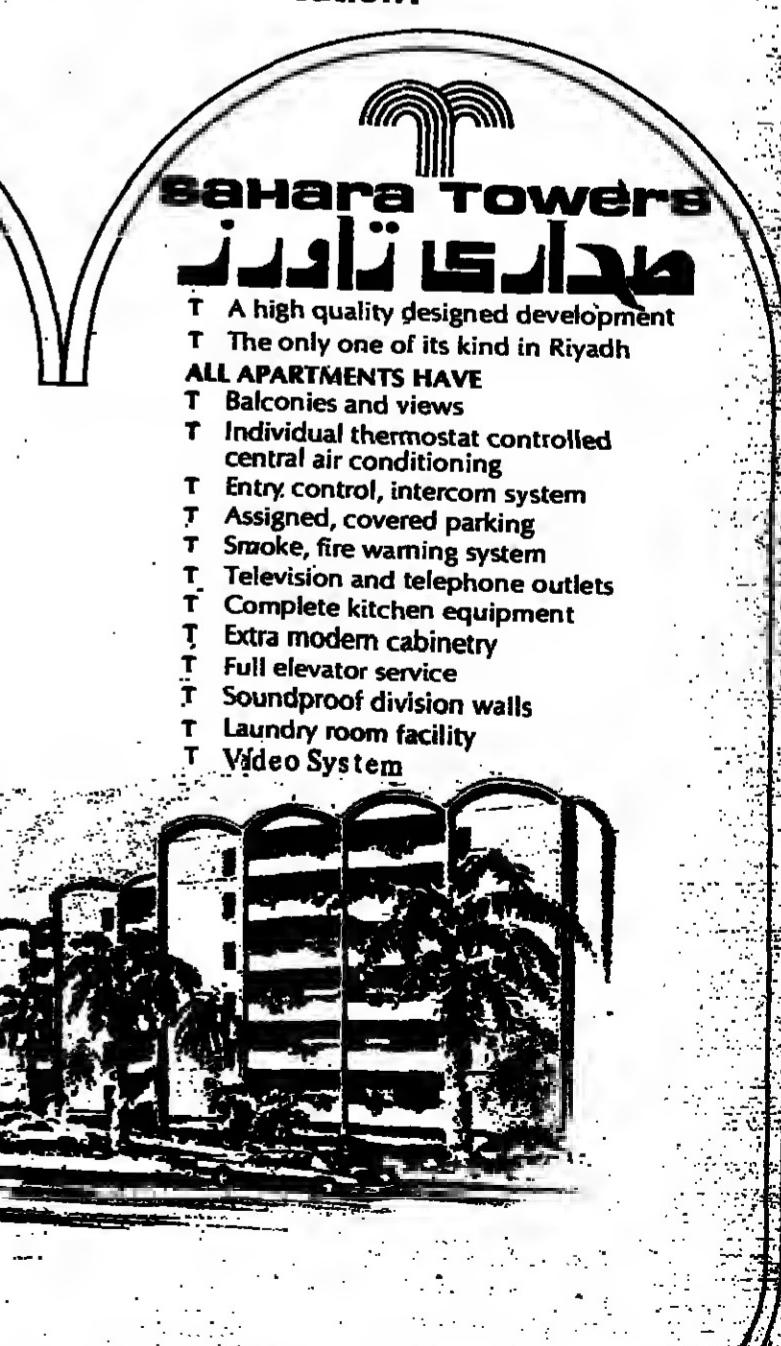
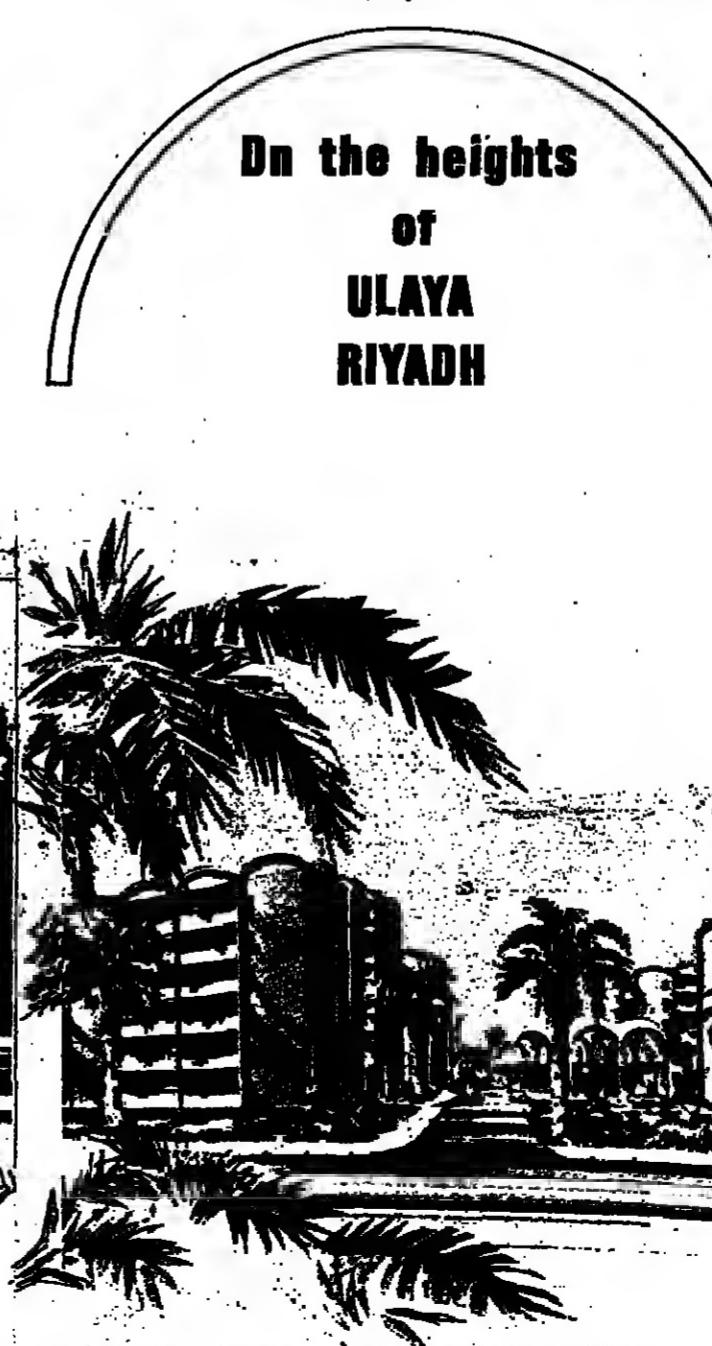
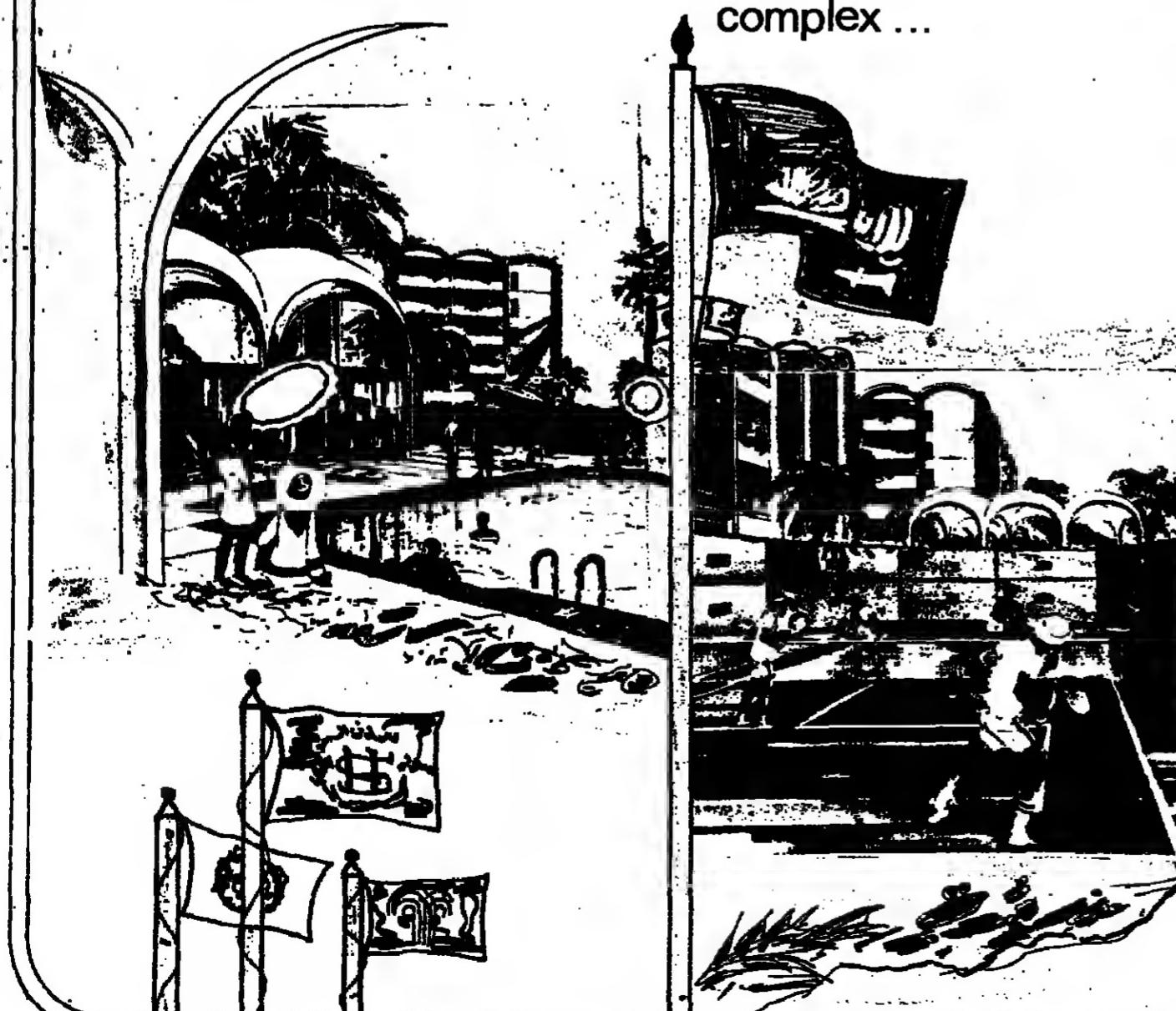
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Somalis, fleeing Ethiopia, crowd refugee camps

BELED WEYNE, Somalia Feb. 25 (AP) — Thousands of nomadic tribesmen from southeastern Ethiopia are fleeing to Somalia as fighting between government forces and Somali insurgents ravages the semi-desert countryside.

Since late last year, ethnic Somali tribesmen in Ethiopia, defeated alongside Somalia in the Ogaden War, have stepped up a renewed bid for independence with guerrilla attacks on Ethiopian military units in the Ogaden region and in Ethiopia's Bale and Sidamo provinces.

Each new skirmish, refugee officials say, sends hundreds of the disputed territory's Somali inhabitants across the border for safety.

More than 120,000 war refugees live in special camps throughout Somalia, according to international agency officials and local refugee workers.

Many come by foot, crossing the Ogaden plains in journeys lasting as long as a month, with little more than a meager hoard of grain and a bottle of water to sustain them. Others come by camel, their few cooking utensils and family heirlooms piled on board.

Many die on the way from disease, hunger or chance meetings with hostile Ethiopian army patrols.

All arrive exhausted. All bear psychological scars of war.

A youngster at Jawil camp hid behind his mother and covered his ears against the expected explosion of gunfire when he saw a visiting photographer's camera pointing at him.

Between 500 and 700 newcomers have arrived each week, refugee workers said, but the number has increased dramatically — 10,000 in one month alone late last year — during periods of intensified fighting.

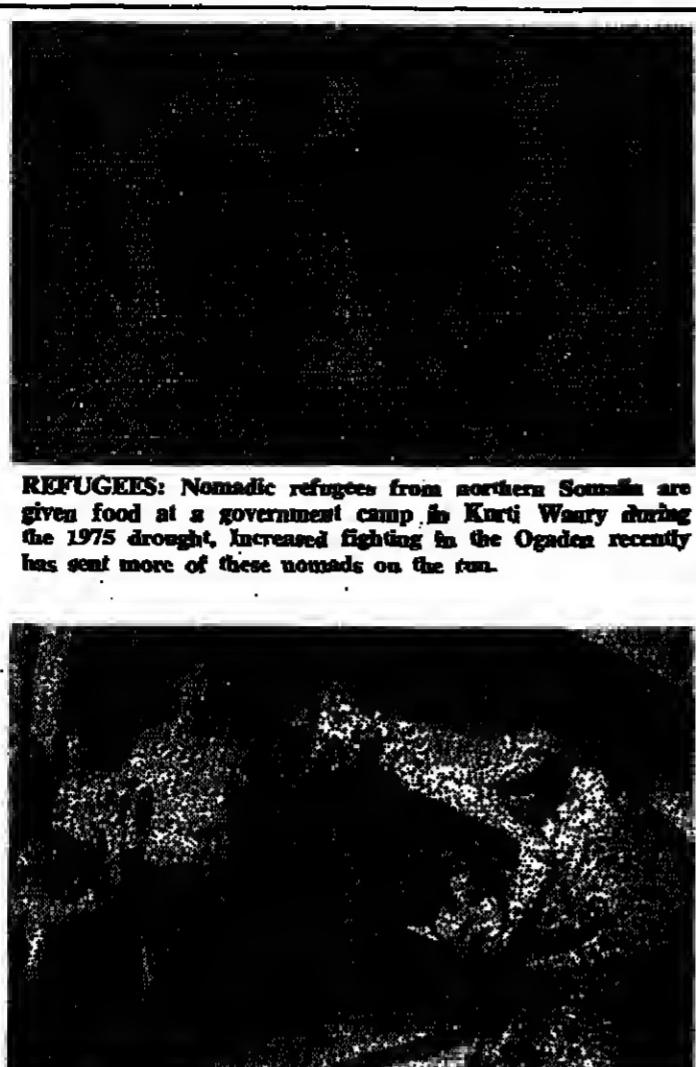
Untold thousands more are estimated to live with relatives and friends along the border area, without having reported to Somali government officials.

"All the Somalis are kith and kin, so it is only natural that they would come here," said Hassan Ali Barrow, director of Somalia's refugee efforts in the Hirraan region. "But it is such a burden."

"We estimate that there are nearly half a million displaced persons here and in the occupied territories (southeastern Ethiopia), and we expect most will eventually become our responsibility," he said.

Somalia's Hirraan region is along the Somalia-Ethiopia border, about 350 kilometers west of Mogadishu.

Two of Somalia's eight refugee camps — Jawil and Lnd Jenow — are just outside Beled Weyne, the region's main town. The two camps combined house nearly 37,000 persons, about



REFUGEES: Nomadic refugees from northern Somalia are given food at a government camp in Kirti Weyne during the 1975 drought. Increased fighting in the Ogaden recently has sent more of these nomads on the run.



PRISONERS OF WAR: Somali prisoners of war stand outside the Ethiopian jail at Harrar during the fighting in February 1978. (AP photo)

14,000 of them children under the age of 15.

Somalia spent about \$8 million on refugees last year. The U.N. High Commissioner donated another \$3.8 million.

"The Somalis are handling it quite well," Steffan Bodenham, the U.N. refugee representative, said. "I do not think any international agency could do better in constructing and laying out camps and in distributing food."

The combined population of Jawil and Lnd Jenow already outstrips that of the Beled Weyne district by two to one. About 250 newcomers arrive each day.

To protect nationals after fighting

French troops said sent to southern Chad

NDJAMENA, Feb. 25 (R) — French troops have been sent to southern Chad to protect French nationals after fighting between rival groups in

the southern town of Moundou, informed sources say.

The clashes erupted on Thursday and at least 50 people were reported to have died,

the sources said. Around 100 foreign soldiers were flown to Moundou early Friday in an attempt to separate the rival groups and prevent further bloodshed.

Tension rose in NDjamena as reports of the fighting led

to fears that they might be a violent reaction against Sara tribesmen loyal to President Felix Malloum.

A fragile ceasefire has held for the last 10 days after bitter street fighting in NDjamena between the president's troops and forces loyal to Prime Minister Hissene Habre, in which some 500 people were believed killed.

Hundreds of Sara tribesmen have been fleeing the capital fearing a fresh outbreak of violence.

Queen visits UAE oasis on last leg of Gulf tour

AL AIN, United Arab Emirates, Feb. 25 (R) — Queen Elizabeth, on the last leg of a tour of Arab Gulf states,

flew to the oasis of Al Ain Sunday.

Bedouins raced their trucks alongside the Queen's motorcade into the town, raising clouds of dust after she arrived in an Andover aircraft at a specially-prepared airstrip.

The Queen flew in from Abu Dhabi, the emirates capital, and was met by Sheikh Zaid bin Sultan, president of the seven United Arab Emirates (UAE).

She later visited Al Ain University, opened last year and now teaching 1,800 students, and was welcomed by drummers and dancers. She paused in scorching 32 centigrade temperature to greet them at the gates.

The Queen brought special cheer to two Britons, water engineer Peter Goldsmith, from Woking, and Cathy Ince, from Lancashire, whose husband also works on a water project.

The two stood at the university gates holding a huge, 24 square foot Union Jack.

The UAE government is spending more than \$400 million here on a five-year plan to improve water storage and distribution facilities and to recycle sewage for irrigation.

Dutch foreign minister in Israel for visit

TEL AVIV, Feb. 25 (R) — Dutch Foreign Minister Christopher Albert van der Klaauw has arrived for a three-day visit which will include talks with Israeli leaders.

He was met at Lydda Airport by Deputy Prime Minister Yigael Yadin.

During his visit, van der Klaauw is scheduled to have talks with Prime Minister Menachem Begin and Defense Minister Ezer Weizman. He will also call on President Yitzhak Navon.

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Israel aide supports U.S. arms for Egypt

TEL AVIV, Feb. 25 (R) — Israel's director of Strategic Studies has said a vast supply of U.S. arms to Egypt could be of advantage to Israel but would have to be carefully controlled.

Naharon Yariv, a former director of military intelligence, was reacting Saturday to reports from U.S. officials that Sadat had offered to play a major pro-Western military role in the Middle East in exchange for billions of dollars worth of modern U.S. weapons.

Yariv told a radio interviewer, "Getting American weapons will enable them to modernize their force. It will also strengthen their links with the U.S. and make their requirements more attractive to the U.S."

"(The weapons) might be used against us, and we must make sure that there will be no massive supply without control, commensurate with normal relations between the U.S. and Egypt, in a way which will not hurt the military balance between us," he said.

He said if the arms were not obtained from the U.S., Addis apparently recognizes Polisario state.

ALGIERS, Feb. 25 (R) — Ethiopia has recognized the self-styled Arab Sahraui Democratic Republic (RASD), informed sources say.

The Algerian-backed Polisario Front proclaimed the RASD — its name for the Western Sahara — on Feb. 27, 1975, in defiance of the Madrid Agreement which divided the former Spanish colony between Morocco and Mauritania.

The sources said Ethiopia would send an official delegation to the third anniversary celebrations on Tuesday.

The Polisario refused to confirm Saturday night that Ethiopia had recognized the RASD.

they could be purchased from France or other European countries, or even the Soviet Union. He stressed that U.S. arms and influence was preferable from Israel's point of view.

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Spain's Socialists get glimpse of power as campaign subsides

MADRID, Feb. 25 (AP) — Spaniards vote March 1 with Socialists moving toward their first share of power since the Spanish Civil War, but with polls showing the country's biggest political force is composed of people who will not bother to vote.

Although the Socialist Party of 37-year-old Felipe Gonzalez, a sort of loyal opposition to the first elected post-Franco government, is given a slight edge over centrist Premier Adolfo Suarez' party, it is not expected to gain enough seats for a majority in the 350-seat lower house.

Campaign managers of Suarez' Center Democratic Union (UCD) insist their soundings show the premier will finish

first again, perhaps with the necessary 176 seats to rule alone.

The most likely end result in the view of both independent political observers and in private reports by leaders from both parties is that Suarez will stay on as premier with Socialists in his cabinet.

Opinion polls predict that more than one-third — perhaps as many as 40 per cent — of Spain's 26 million voters will abstain.

The election is the fourth visit to the ballot boxes, including two national referenda, by Spaniards in 28 months and only the second free election in 43 years.

Pollsters have given no reason for the high abstention

rate after four decades of a non-voting dictatorship under the Franco regime.

Suarez, named by King Juan Carlos to guide Spain to democracy after Francisco Franco's death three and a half years ago, won the 1977 elections with 34 per cent of the vote and 165 seats in the Chamber of Deputies. The Socialists came in second with 29 per cent and 122 seats. The Communists got 20 seats and Conservatives of ex-Franco Minister Manuel Fraga won 16.

UCD leaders say they expect the Communists of civil war veteran Santiago Carrillo to pick up a few seats and extremist parties at both ends of the political spectrum to win representation. This would give the Francois of ultra-rightist Blas Pinar into the Cortes (parliament) for the first time since the Franco regime ended.

The UCD has made inflation and terrorism, intensified by Basque separatists since Franco's death, its key campaign planks. The Socialists and Communists have concentrated on unemployment, now running at 8 per cent.

The three-week campaign has been a lack luster one, with Suarez limiting public appearances for security reasons and the Socialists adopting a moderate line urging "firm government" with little mention of Marxism.



ANCHORS AWAY: Betty Ellison, one of the first women in the U.S. Navy to be given sea duty, joins shipmates on the U.S.S. Vulcan last week in preparing to put to sea. The ship was about to sail from Virginia to New Jersey. (AP photo.)

Carter picks new NATO chief for Europe forces

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25 (AP) — U.S. President Jimmy Carter has picked army Chief of Staff Bernard Rogers to replace Gen. Alexander Haig as head of all U.S. forces in Europe and has recommended that NATO accept Rogers as Allied commander, administration sources said Saturday.

Haig has turned in his resignation and announced his intention to retire from the army July 1 after about 44 years as NATO commander and the top U.S. military officer in

Western Europe. The sources said Gen. Rogers, a former Rhodes scholar who has been the uniformed chief of the U.S. Army since 1976, was the only U.S. general seriously considered for the powerful post in Europe.

There are indications the Carter administration wanted Haig's replacement to be an officer who had no political coloration and at the same time had a record as a solid military professional.

Striking workers to pull plug at U.K. electronic spy center

LONDON, Feb. 25 (AP) — Secret Service code operators will shut down the British government's top secret electronic surveillance center in a campaign of strikes by civil servants demanding more money starting at midnight Sunday, union leaders declared Saturday.

But to ensure national security they will keep the key links with U.S. intelligence services hooked up, they reported in announcing plans for a string of indefinite walkouts to paralyze government nerve centers and strangle Britain's administrative machinery.

Government officials said cipher clerks and computer operators will be among the strikers at the vital intelligence installation at Cheltenham in southwest England.

The center is part of the western intelligence network and monitors radio traffic, including foreign government messages and British embassy reports.

The installation is one of eight critical sectors of government targeted by the strikers, members of two of Britain's largest civil service unions with a total membership of 300,000.

They are demanding 25 per cent pay hikes — far in excess of the Labor government's counter-inflationary 5 per cent limit.

The unprecedented strikes are designed to cut off the flow of \$50 million pounds (\$1 billion) a week in revenue and tax government payments to industry of up to 200 million pounds (\$400 million).

The campaign follows a 24-hour walkout by customs officers Friday that government officials said turned Britain into

a "smugglers' paradise."

Among other installations slated to be shutdown in the strikes are the defense, trade and agriculture departments, where computers controlling a wide range of government functions, including arms exports and subsidies to farmers, will be switched off.

The threatened shutdowns could hurt industry by forcing layoffs on companies that depend on government contracts and payments.

Graham says, "Firms will run into urgent cash flow problems. Armaments will pile up. Production at least three ordnance factories is expected to stop."

Court procedures in Scotland will be hampered by a walk-

KKK roars into Decatur flaunting illegal weapons

DECATUR, Ala., Feb. 25 (AP) — About 150 robed members of the Ku Klux Klan, a white supremacist organization, drove pickup trucks through Decatur Saturday, waving firearms through the windows in defiance of a city ordinance banning weapons at demonstrations.

The caravan, undisturbed by police, passed the home of Mayor Bill Duke.

The procession dispersed in a park in nearby Limestone County, where Ray Steel, a Klan leader, told his compatriots, "If the mayor wants our guns, he'll have to come and get them."

Duke was not immediately available for comment, nor were city police officials.

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man. Tommy Lee Hines

was charged with assault

white woman.

The Klansmen were annoy-

ed by a city ordinance

passed Monday to prohibit

weapons of any kind at demonstra-

tions.

The ordinance stems

from a confrontation

weeks ago involving Klan

and black demonstrators

testing the arrest of a bl

man on shoplifting charges.

The Federal Bureau of In

vestigation and the Justice D

partment are investigating

the incident.

NZ still rails Pakistan 359

AUCKLAND, Feb. 25 (AP) — New Zealand faces an uphill battle during the last two days of the third and final test against Pakistan at Eden Park, Auckland.

New Zealand was 51 for 1 stumps Sunday in second innings, still trailing the Pakistan first innings total of 359 by runs.

man Khan's first ball to Peter Bruce Edgar sent his middle stump cartwheeling and New Zealand hopes diving. But Jeff Howarth (27 not out) and John Wright (10 not out) led confidently through to nips.

man Sarfraz Nawaz and Andre Bakht were making odd ball keep low but he appeared to be little vice the wicket.

Pakistan had taken its overnight score 191 for 3 to be all for 359.

sheer Abbas was the backbone of the Pakistan innings taking 135 in 388 minutes, losing 15 fours and one six. Today is a rest day and resumes on Tuesday.

In soccer friendly

Crisp Italy humbles Dutch, 3-0

MILAN, Italy, Feb. 25 (R)

Italy's sharpness and the effects of the Dutch winter combined to produce a humiliating 3-0 defeat for Holland in a friendly soccer international here Saturday.

The World Cup runner-up never looked like posing a serious threat to Italy's proud home record, which now stands at 18 consecutive matches without a defeat in more than eight years competition.

Italy, whose domestic League program, unlike Holland's, has been unaffected by the weather was sharp and decisive.

The ball rarely left the Dutch half for the first 25 minutes and in the eighth minute Roberto Bettega gave Italy the lead with a close-range shot which gave Piet Schrijvers no chance.

Italy went further ahead when Enzo Brandini trolled Marco Tardelli in the area and Paolo Rossi only converted the 18th-minute penalty.

Two minutes before half-time Marco Tardelli made it 3-0 when he converted a cross from Juventus team-mate Antonio Cabri.

Menotti to stay

BUENOS AIRES, Feb. 25 (R) — Argentine soccer coach Cesar Luis Menotti has agreed to prepare the national team for the 1982 World Cup finals in Spain.

Menotti joined the team that won the World Cup in Argentina.

ast whips West at Vienna athletics

ENNA, Feb. 25 (R) — Edi indoor record holder Valyukovich led the Soviet Union to a clean sweep in triple jump honors on second and final day of the European Indoor Athletics Championships here Sunday.

Valyukovich's second jump 7.02 meters — the only over the 17-meter mark — enough to take the gold.

The 20-year-old Russian raised his hand a victory salute to the crowd.

In the first day, Poland and Soviet Union led the East European gold rush with its spoils confined to four of 15 medals.

Polish sprinter Marian Wrona equalled his own European indoor record of 6.57 m. in winning the men's

60-meters final from his compatriot Leszek Denecki, who clocked 6.62.

Defending champion Nikolai Kolegov of the Soviet Union fell flat on his face at the start and could only look on as the fleet-footed Wrona took command of the race.

It was one-two for Poland again in the women's 60-meters

hurdles and the Soviet Union's Vladimir Yashchenko and Gennadi Belkov rubbed in the East's domination by taking silver and gold in the men's high jump.

Finland's Reijo Stenberg and Geoff Capes of Britain were Western Europe's best performers, taking gold and silver in the men's shot put.

Turnbull ousts Navratilova from final of Detroit event

DETROIT, Michigan, Feb. 25 (AP) — Fifth-seeded Wendy Turnbull survived a horrible second set Saturday night to upset top-seed and defending champion Martina Navratilova 6-4, 1-6, 6-4 and move into the finals of the \$150,000 women's professional tennis tour-

nament at Cobo Arena.

In her best showing on the women's tour this year, Turnbull controlled her serve shots well in the first and third sets but seemed to fall apart in the second, when the powerful Navratilova overwhelmed her. It is the first time on the tour this year that Navratilova has not made the finals.

Meanwhile in Puerto Rico, Jimmy Connors came back to beat Adriano Panatta of Italy 4-6, 6-5, 6-2 to remain undefeated in the round-robin World Championship Tournament Saturday. Connors meets Vitas Gerulaitis in the finals for the \$100,000 prize.

Row over judges cancels title fight

LAS VEGAS, Nevada, Feb. 25 (R) — A world light heavyweight title fight was cancelled just before it was due to start Saturday because of a row over judges.

The dispute involved Argentina's Victor Galindez who was challenging World Boxing Association (WBA) champion Mike Rossman of the United States.

Galindez and the WBA waited three Latin American judges to score the 15-round contest while the Nevada State Athletic Commission insisted on Nevada judges.

Jam at L.A. Open

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 25 (AP) — Traffic jammed at the top of the standings for the \$50,000 Glen Campbell Los Angeles Open Golf Tournament Saturday, with Len Hinkle, Lanny Wadkins and Kenner Zarley in a tie, at six-under-par 207 for 54 holes.

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A GOOD OCCASSION

The visit of the Greek Premier Constantine Karamanlis to Saudi Arabia will be good occasion to discuss and to develop better Saudi-Greek relations which, in turn, will reflect on Greek-Arab relations in general. Greece is a good friend of the Arabs and has all along resisted pressures to normalize relations with Israel, let it be noted, offensives by the Arab states. The Greek government has stood by the Arabs at the United Nations and other international bodies and it is hoped it will continue to do so.

Yet Arab-Greek relations are still hampered by the continuing disputes between Greek and Turkish communities in Cyprus. Certain Arab states sympathized with the Turkish military intervention in Cyprus in 1974 because it was set in train to save the Muslim community from harassment by riff-raffs who had seized power from Archbishop Makarios with evidence of connivance by the ruling junta in Athens.

When the junta of colonels was deposed and Karamanlis restored democratic rule to the cradle of democracy, there was hope of an honorable solution to the Cyprus problem. This must be the aim of both Turkey and Greece, since the problem is a drain on both sides.

Turkey cannot be content to commit thousands of troops to the security of the Turkish sector indefinitely. The Turkish sector is much less developed and more sparsely populated than the Greek, which also enjoys greater resources of farmland and industry. Its importance and prosperity has been enhanced by taking over traditional Lebanese services disrupted by the civil war. Hundreds of Lebanese and foreign companies moved to Nicosia and have turned it into a little Beirut while the Turkish Cypriot sector remains unchanged. Unification must be of great value to both sides.

Karamanlis has mentioned direct or mediated negotiations as possible ways towards a settlement if war is to be avoided. We believe that every possible avenue of peace should be explored to ensure the reunification of the island without jeopardizing the interests of either community.

Power structure in Iran

TEHRAN — Three weeks after his selection as Iran's provisional prime minister, Mehdi Bazargan still shares power with Ayatollah Khomeini in a complex system of "two governments" that could complicate Iran's return to normalcy.

Bazargan's provisional revolutionary government, appointed by Khomeini, is based at the sumptuous prime minister's building in the heart of downtown Tehran. Khomeini's "Islamic revolutionary council" — with a still-secret membership — operates from the rundown Refah School complex three kilometers away on the city's poor south side.

Khomeini has shown his power through the "revolutionary committees" with ties to the religious leader that have taken over many municipal functions in the country. They are only slowly being merged into the regular government machinery.

Diplomats arranging the evacuation of foreign nationals from Tehran have reported that despite preliminary arrangements for the departures made through the government's foreign ministry, revolutionary committee representatives at the airport impose their own control over operations once the evacuees show up for their flights.

The Khomeini power structure appears extremely strong and able to carry out any function normally performed by government organizations.

This week, for instance, the formation of a national guard to be known as the "Guardians of the Revolution" was announced not by Bazargan or his military authorities, but by the Khomeini committee. The National Guard presumably will be armed with weapons being held at Khomeini headquarters and at mosques linked to Khomeini's committee.

The Bazargan government is reorganizing the country's regular army, and the National Guard may provide a Khomeini-controlled check on the government armed forces.

There have been many reports in recent days of revolutionary committees operating at Iranian factories, military institutions and public corporations, including the National Iranian Oil Company and the national airline, Iran Air. The committees are generally linked to Khomeini power structure and control personnel and operational decisions.

It is not clear whether these committees will be dissolved in the future or if they will remain as a second chain of command, linking all levels of society to Khomeini's religious-based hierarchy.

In many other countries, revolutionary political parties maintain similar lines of command and control as a supplement to government machinery.

One indication of whether Khomeini intends to retain active control over public life may come from the location of his future headquarters. He was originally supposed to set up his base in the holy city of Qom, 128 kilometers south of Tehran.

As long as Khomeini stays in the capital, he is close to the levers of power and is in a far better position to influence daily events (AP).



More growth, less energy

By J.-P. Smith
 WASHINGTON—

The President's Council on Environmental Quality, in a report contradicting some Carter administration officials, has said that the United States can achieve a high economic growth rate while reducing energy consumption.

Issuing a report that could lead to a redirection of the administration's long-range energy planning, the Council said that with "determined effort," the United States could increase its economic growth by from 60 per cent to 90 per cent by 2000 while increasing energy use by only 15 per cent.

"The energy reductions we are talking about do not require substantial changes in lifestyle," Gus Speth, one of the council's three members told reporters recently.

Warning that reducing the rate of energy growth "will not be easy or cheap," the Council's 49-page study says that "it will be far easier and less costly" than maintaining a high rate of energy growth. To meet those goals, the Council proposes a wide range of policies including raising energy prices, stiffening conservation measures such as mandating more efficient autos and using off-the-shelf technology to boost energy efficiency.

The Council's analysis, drawing on results from 44 recent conservation studies, finds that by pressuring conservation programs the United States can forego a rapid expansion of nuclear power. The advisory council also says that by limiting the growth in energy de-

mand, the United States can bypass President Carter's goal to double coal production by 1985. Without lowering energy demand through more efficient use, Speth says the United States will have to build new power generation plants at the rate of nearly two a month until the end of the century.

Since 1975, however, the growth rates in energy consumption and GNP have begun to "uncouple," as Energy Secretary James Schlesinger says. Many economists say there is a limit to how much the economy can reduce energy consumption without a sharp cutback in economic growth.

The Council disagrees, citing Western industrial countries such as Sweden, West Germany, and Switzerland, which have high economic growth with low rates of energy use.

Last week, Deputy Energy Secretary John O'Leary said that the future rate of energy growth in the United States could be cut by as much as half, but it was unlikely that the country could do that and still maintain a high rate of economic growth. "We're going to need a lot of energy, or we will suffer," O'Leary said, calling for a stepped program to bring nuclear and coal powered plants on line.

Warren also said the government should pay more attention to energy conservation research and development.

The Council on Environmental Quality is an advisory group within the White House executive office. It has no cabinet authority. (WP)

China's invasion

By Jay Mathews
 HONG KONG—

Even among those who predicted China's bloody and probably short invasion of Vietnam, there seems not entirely satisfactory answer to one question: Why did the Chinese do it?

In return for a brief chance to test its army and cripple Vietnamese border forces, Peking has frightened Southeast Asian leaders, annoyed U.S. policy-makers and bolstered Soviet attempts to cut off its supply of Western weapons. The immediate problems that led to the invasion, Vietnam's successes in Cambodia and its border raids into China, are unlikely to dissolve just because China took a quick plunge into northern Vietnam.

"I operate on the principle that if you assume everybody is going to make the worst possible decisions, you're never disappointed," said one analyst who correctly predicted the invasion. "I guess we have to stop interpreting Chinese actions from our point of view and try to see what they think they need."

Foreign observers searching for a word to explain the Chinese urge to punish Hanoi often refer to fears of loss of "credibility," which may have once motivated the faltered U.S. involvement in Vietnam. Other analysts speak of a more visceral desire to re-establish a national sense of "macho," or masculinity.

Latin American diplomats such as Alejandro Orfila seemed to sense that sort of pride in Vice Premier Teng Hsiao-ping's remarks to him about the invasion.

"One philosophy that this country seems to have is that you can discuss and you can have a dialogue with people, but if the people on the other side do not answer the dialogue, then you cannot tolerate things that could be misconstrued and

could be interpreted as weakness," Orfila said in Peking after meeting with Teng.

Some analysts also think the Chinese hoped to frighten Vietnam into important concessions that would weaken its firm grip on the new government in Cambodia, a country that was once firmly in Peking's camp. Teng and other Chinese leaders went to considerable effort to hire the irreducible Prince Norodom Sihanouk book to Peking after his swing through Washington and New York. Many diplomats think this means Peking has hopes Sihanouk might still be their man to form a new Cambodian government. This overlooks several important factors including Hanoi's military grip on Phnom Penh and Sihanouk's own dispute for the pro-Peking Cambodian Communists.

The invasion, if it lasts longer than most outsiders expect it to, could draw Vietnamese troops out of Cambodia and give heart to the pro-Peking insurgents, the Kmer Rouge.

"They fight almost entirely on morale," said one analyst of the remnants of the pro-Chinese Pol Pot government that lost to Vietnamese troops in early January.

Vietnam's own invasion of Cambodia has wiped out much of the admiration it had gathered abroad during its decade-long war against the United States. Vietnam found it impossible to win a seat in the United Nations for the government it installed in Phnom Penh, but the Chinese invasion may help ease the pain of that diplomatic defeat.

"The Chinese were beginning to be afraid looked like a paper tiger," said one observer. "But if they have stage a repeat performance every time they begin to be unappreciated, they may trouble." (WP)

Humble pie in Mexico

By William Chislett
 MEXICO CITY—

President Carter's three-day trip to Mexico has paved the way for what could be the start of a new relationship between this oil-rich nation and its big neighbor. No definite agreements were reached but Carter returned home with at least one conclusion: Uncle Sam can no longer treat Mexico as the underdog.

For years the U.S. has looked upon Mexico as a rather tiresome developing country on its doorstep which it has tried to control like a wayward child.

It came as something of a shock to Carter that instead of being warmly received he was given a generally cold reception during the visit and a dressing down in public by President Lopez Portillo.

He was told that "a good neighbor policy" should be one in which "respect prevails over prejudice and intelligence over sectarianism."

And as if to emphasize the rather frivolous way in which the U.S. still thinks of Mexico as a land of lazy people wearing sombreros and lounging under palm trees smoking cigars, Carter replied to Lopez Portillo's sharp remarks with a few jokes in bad taste about his days in Mexico when he was caught short with "Montezuma's Revenge" (diarrhea) while jogging.

Humor, may have been the best way of brushing criticisms aside and accepting that they were aimed at the domestic audience. Certainly there was a strong element of this in Lopez Portillo's speeches, but above all else it reflected the underlying belief that Mexico is asserting itself as a power to be reckoned with and that it expects better treatment from its great, northern neighbor.

To some extent the U.S. delegation came here conscious of the need to eat a little humble pie. President Carter's remarks were conciliatory and in line with the U.S. need to upgrade its relations with Mexico now that it has tried to control like a wayward oil reserves in the world.

With the interruption in oil supplies to the U.S. caused by the tense situation in Iran, Mexico's position assumes a new importance. The U.S. at the moment buys about 450,000 barrels of Mexican oil a day and would like a lot more.

On the sensitive question of the sale of natural gas to the U.S., the Mexican position appears to have softened a little.

At the end of 1977, negotiations to sell about two billion cubic feet a day to six U.S. gas distribution companies broke down after the Energy Department vetoed the Mexican price.

An angry Lopez Portillo then announced that all the country's gas would be used domestically. The U.S. at the moment has a gas surplus and the Energy Department still considers the price too high.

Significantly Energy Secretary

James Schlesinger did not go to Mexico with the President's rather abrasive views. His subject might only have been an obstacle to U.S. attempts to patch up old scores.

On oil Lopez Portillo understood to have given no commitment to the U.S. that it would increase its oil production just to satisfy U.S. demands. He said recently the problem of Mexican production (currently 1.5 million barrels a day) would be solved according to Mexican needs, and not the U.S. of view. There have been cumulative reports that Mexico could produce four million barrels a day by 1985.

With the U.S. losing face around the world there seem to be a more determined efforts on the part of that administration to keep its neighbor friendly and accommodate its importance.

On the other touchy issue—the massive illegal migration to the U.S. from Mexico, the U.S. would appear that the U.S. aware that taking unilateral action on the issue will solve the problem.

U.S. interests in Mexico hinge and Lopez Portillo regards the future of the country as being intimately linked, but on a more long-term basis.

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A forgotten little town in California

By David Larsen
KEELER, California.—
"Keeler is not a ghost town,"
the sign of Mrs. Lillian Hilder-
man's house used to say.
"There are 39 souls who live
here."

Those were the days when
she wrote a column for an
Inyo County newspaper and
would include such tidbits as:
"James Smith of Keeler has
a new set of choppers."

Old Mrs. Hilderman isn't
around anymore. Nor are a
few of the former Keeler
crowd.

What was once a booming
town of 7,500 near the shore
of Owens Lake has dwindled
to an echo. No train stops any-
more at the rotted railroad
depot. No lessons are taught in
the empty schoolhouse. The
Catholic Church has long since
been trucked away to another
town for use as golf course
clubhouse.

But somehow, for about a
hundred residents, Keeler is a
town that refuses to die.

"There was one sheriff to
serve the county in emergencies,"
Frances C. Karatuer wrote in the book, "The Story
of Keeler."

"But with distances as great
as they were, he and his posse
often arrived after an offender
had taken the discretionary
course of making a quick dis-
appearance."

Ken Suleski is employed at
Cyrus Industrial Minerals, the
talc mill which is the town's
leading industry. It has five
workers.

The community of Keeler
came into being in 1882 as the
result of a mine, Cerro Gordo,
carved in a nearby mountain
12 kilometers up a steep dirt
road. In its day the hole yielded
\$17 million in silver, lead
and other ores.

"But it's hard to find a job
down in the mine after they've
seen Keeler," he added, trying
to keep white powder off the
sandwich he was munching.

Joseph Guzman, who runs
the mill, said a lot of the talc
is trucked in from Death Valley
to be pulverized in Keeler
for use in babies and in roofing
materials.

Down the road, at Elmo Anderson's house, it was feed-
ing time for the animals.

Different people do different
things in this shell of a com-
munity, and Mrs. Anderson
makes her way in life by raising
Yorkshire terriers and toy
poodles. She sells them to a
pet store owner in Los Angeles.

"I also do a little clipping
for my old customers who
drive down from Bishop," she
said. "I used to live there."

Her neighbor, Mollie Finn,
raises goats and supplies some
of the townfolk with milk
from her modest herd. In fact,
at Christmas one of the local
teats was goat-milk eggnog.

The few children who live
there are bused to school in
Lone Pine, 20 kilometers to
the northwest.

At the western entrance to
the town is a service station,
which at first glance would ap-
pear to be in business. But a
look at the prices on the two
pumps tells otherwise: 48 cents
per gallon.

Broken windows and aban-
doned buildings abound. One is
the former elementary school.
Townfolk say it is privately
owned now, but nobody seems
to know what plans there are
for it.

Charles Mates of Lone Pine,
whose parents once ran a
hotel in Keeler, has photos
showing an elaborate swim-
ming pool in full use.

The Keeler swimming club
is still there, still with its
benches and clubhouse, the pool
now containing only stagnant
rainwater and weeds.

The piece de resistance, how-
ever, is the boarded-up railroad
station, dominating the land-
scape.

A monument set in white
dolomite tells it all:

"From Mount House, Ne-
vada, narrow gauge rails of the
Carson and Colorado Railroad
reached this site in 1883."

"Cerro Gordo and other
mines faltered, the rail line fell
on hard times, so plans to
extend the line to Mojave were
abandoned, leaving Keeler as
end of the line."

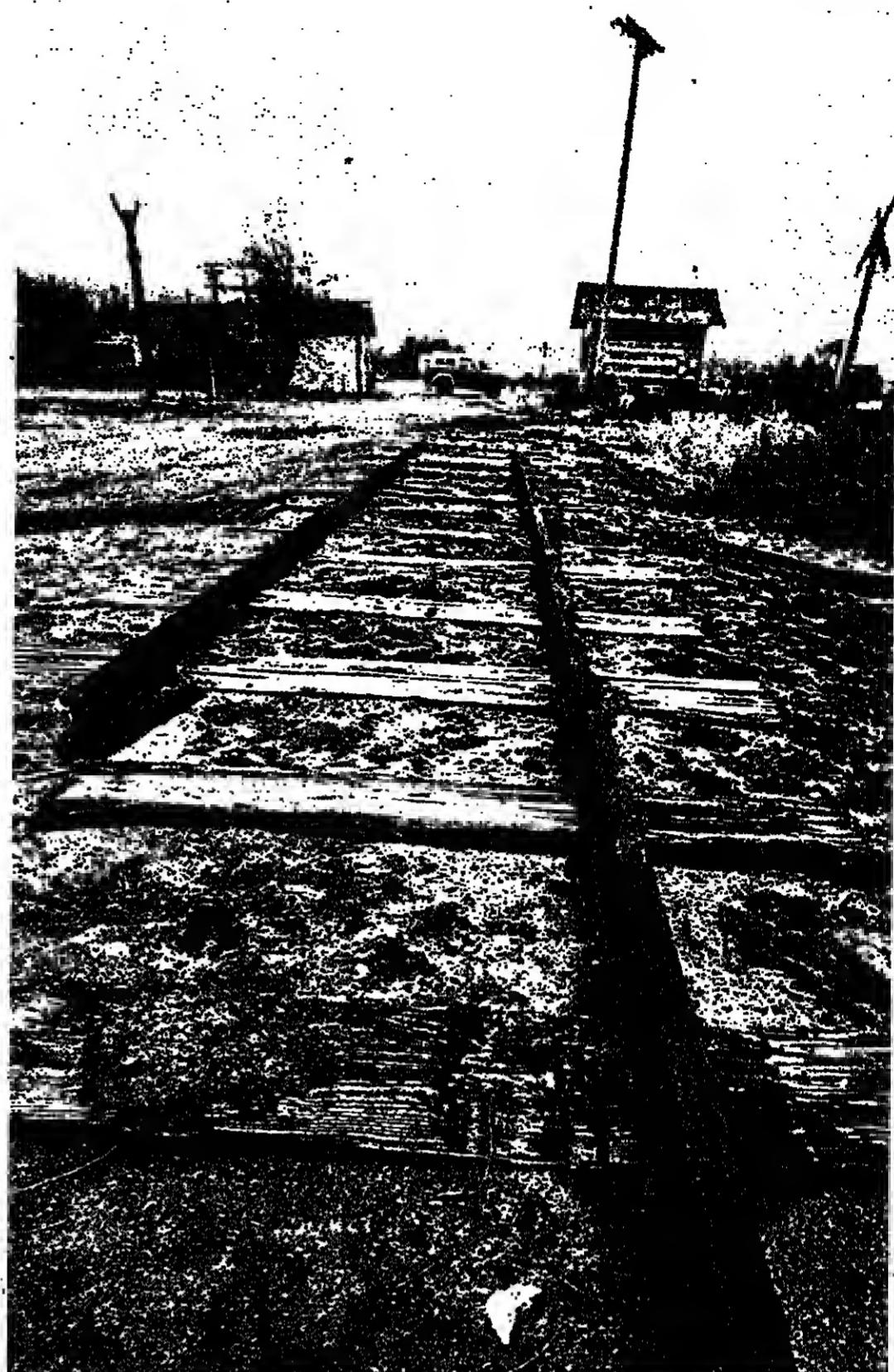
In its early days, according
to Ms. Krautuer's account, the
railroad was a casual opera-
tion.

"During the correct seasons,
parking the train in a likely
neighborhood, crew and pas-
sengers would bid themselves
toward the hills for a bit of
hunting; Indians, prospectors or
wanderers along the line were
taken aboard and carried free
of cost."

"A belated passenger would
either be waited for, or if the
crew missed him, returned for;
in seasons of extreme heat the
crew was known to stop long
enough for a refreshing frolic
in Walker Lake; barrels left
beside the tracks by those needing
water were filled."



Paul Harris, a Keeler miner



END OF THE LINE: All that remains of the Carson and Colorado Railroad in Keeler.



Elmo Anderson (photos by Dave Gatley, LAT)

The late Anna Mates, who
ran the Keeler Hotel with her
husband until it burned down,
wrote that the arrival of the
train was a great event.

"Passengers came in on the
evening train about twice a
week, to take the stage on the
following day for Minjave," she
wrote. "Sometimes there were
as many as four or five pas-
sengers, and the stage was not a
very comfortable nor easy-
riding one."

No vestiges of the stage re-
main, but down the way from
the rail depot there is still a

section of track embedded in
the earth.

Here and there is the town,
people have set up housekeep-
ing in old railroad cars.

As events accumulated —

the completing of the Los An-
geles aqueduct, which drained
Owens Lake, the playing out
of the mine, the discontinuing
of the train service, the closing
of a plant which recovered
soda ash — the community
withered.

But life persists.

On a slope near the tracks
Paul Harris of Costa Mesa was
raking rocks. "Plan to set up
an operation to process gold
and silver," he explained.

In an ancient abode a cou-
ple of blocks away Melvin
Barkfeld was refinishing an
antique table. "Me and my

girlfriend were on vacation last
August when our truck broke
down here," he said. "We
looked it over and decided to
stay."

And in among the ruins and
the mobile homes, not far from
an old engine that serves the
volunteer fire department, a
U.S. Post Office holds fort in
this governmental glory.

It has 128 mail boxes and
during the course of a day
most of the population of
Keeler will drop by.

Joséphine Grossardt, who
came here in 1922 and has
been the postmaster since 1957,
is very defensive about her
hometown.

"We are above 100 residents
now and we are growing," she
boasted from behind the win-
dow grillwork.

There is no evidence of any
recent burial among the faded
headstones of the Keeler ce-
metery.

But, as pointed out by Lone
Pine librarian Ruth Stevens,
one cannot help recalling the
novel "McTeague," written by
Frank Norris and set partly in
and around Keeler.

It tells of a dentist who be-
comes a drunkard, murders his
wife and flees across the de-
sert. He eventually becomes
handcuffed to a dead enemy
and finds himself trapped on
the parched sand.

The man, of course, never
existed. The town does. Sort
of. —(LAT)

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Tehran cancels purchase of Concorde, Airbus jets

TEHRAN, Feb. 25 (Agencies) — The new managing director of Iran Air said Sunday that to severely trim costs the airline had decided to drop its option for two supersonic Concorde and to delay or cancel orders for other jets.

Hushang Tajadod said negotiations were underway to cut Iran Air's order of six European Airbuses. He added that he will seek to delay delivery of those airbuses Iran Air ultimately decides to take.

Iran's national carrier also will try to delay delivery of two Boeing 747s, due to be available in June or July, to allow the airline to review its expansion program and economic plight following a two-month political strike against the monarchy.

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4. IBN MALIK	KANOO	GENERAL/CONTAINERS	24/2/1979	
5. ILKONPOLY	KANOO	GENERAL	24/2/1979	
6. KARIB EXPRESS	UARU	SUGAR IN BAGS	23/2/1979	
7. AL KHALIDIAH	KANOO	GENERAL/CONTAINERS	24/2/1979	
8. NEDLLOYD	KANOO	GENERAL	24/2/1979	
9. MARETANIA	KANOO	GENERAL	24/2/1979	
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11. DIAZ LOS	BARBER	GENERAL	24/2/1979	
12. BAERENFELS	ALIREZA	GENERAL	24/2/1979	
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China said expecting U.S. trade to approach level of Japan's

HONG KONG, Feb. 25 (AP) — China expects the United States to become as big a trading partner as Japan which currently ranks first among its trading partners, an American congressman has said.

Rep. Les Aucoin, D-Oregon, who had just returned from a 12-day trip to China, said the forecast of prospects for U.S.-China trade was made by Tan Chen-tin, vice-chairman of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress.

Aucoin told a news conference Saturday that Tan informed him "China fully expects to develop a level of trade with the United States equal to the level with Japan."

"This is the first time so my knowledge that a high-ranking Chinese official has talked precisely about the volume of United States trade," he said.

Aucoin said he didn't take the statement as "an absolute contract" but as an indication that China intends to move far more aggressively than 1 hour a day" in promoting trade with the United States.

In February 1978, Japan and China signed an eight-year, \$20 billion two-way trade agreement.

Last year, Chinese-Japanese trade soared to a record \$5.1 billion, up 46 per cent from 1977. U.S.-China trade was just over \$1 billion in 1978.

Aucoin said Tan told him that China "is not going to put all its eggs in one basket" but plans to develop "solid trade relations with many countries including the United States, Japan, West Germany and

others."

He said China's desire for advanced American technology was the basis for Tan's prediction that the level of U.S. trade would equal Japan's.

Since the United States normalized relations with China last December, thousands of American businessmen have been looking into the possibility of trading with Peking.

London, Feb. 25 (AP) — Nearly 100 Japanese business men and government officials flew into London Sunday to tour top British industries and shop for possible imports for Japan.

The British Overseas Trade Board organized the visit, which ends March 6, in a bid to redress Britain's annual trade deficit with Japan of about \$1.6 billion.

Ron Stone, a spokesman for the board, said the Japanese government sent the mission "as an expression of concern over the imbalance of trade between the two countries."

"At present Japan exports 1.4 billion pounds (\$2.8 billion) worth of goods to the U.K. every year, while we manage to sell 600 million pounds (\$1.2 billion) to them," Stone said.

Tsaiichiro Matsuo, president of the giant Japanese Trading Company Marubeni Corp., is leader of the 98-member delegation made up of government trade officials and businessmen from major banks and trading houses and manufacturers of food, textiles, machinery and consumer products.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

Opening Sunday	SAMA rate	Cash	Transfer
U.S. Dollar	3.36	3.37	3.37
Pound Sterling	6.75	6.80	6.81
Deutsche Mark	1.81 (100)	182.50	182.50
Swiss F	2.00 (100)	202.50	202.75
French F	9.79 (100)	79.00	79.10
Italian Lira (100)	0.40 (1000)	4.05	4.02
Lebanese Lira (100)	—	107.50	107.50
Syrian Lira (100)	—	80.25	86.65
Egyptian Pound	—	4.55	4.82
Kuwaiti Dinar	—	12.30	12.30
Jordanian Dinar	—	11.35	11.35
Emirates Dirham (100)	—	87.50	87.80
Qatari Riyal (100)	—	8.75	8.78
Bahrain Dinar	—	41.00	—
Iranian Riyal (100)	—	9.50	—
Iraqi Dinar	—	74.10	—
Yemeni Riyal (100)	—	80.00	88.25
Moroccan Dirham (100)	—	—	41.10
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	34.30
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	27.500	—
Gold kg	—	3,210	700
10 Tonnes bar	—	—	—
Silver kg bar	—	—	—
Japanese yen (100)	1.68	—	—
Canadian dollar	2.81	—	—
Belgian franc (10)	1.15	—	—
Dutch guilder	1.68	—	—
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Steelworker-police clash averted in northern France

LONGWY, France, Feb. 25 (R) — Union leaders and the Communist deputy of Longwy have averted a head-on clash between hundreds of steelworkers and a strong force of paramilitary police.

A major confrontation loomed in the northern French town of Seraing when about 200 paramilitary gendarmes were drafted in to ring the central police station where about 400 demonstrators had boxed in a small group of police.

But local Deputy Antoine Poucy, backed by union officials, stepped between the ranks of heavily-armed police and steel workers and negotiated an agreement for the police to withdraw into the

station and the demonstrators to pull back.

He denounced what he called police provocation, but warned workers not to fall into a government trap.

They blocked the police station's entrance by dumping a truckload of stones and the rained petrol bombs and stones on the building.

The steelworkers, many of whom threatened with layoffs under a government plan to

Swissair to keep normal seats

Special to "Arab News"

GENEVA — Swissair officials recently announced that the company plans to buck an airline industry trend by refusing to squeeze an extra seat in each row of its wide body jets.

The company said it will seat passengers eight across in the tourist section on DC-10 airliners and nine across in 747 airliners. The officials said many other airlines seat passengers nine across on DC-10s and ten across on 747s.

Saudi Arabian Government Tenders

Authority	Description	No. of Tender	Price SR	Closing Date
Ministry of Health	Supply of X-ray machines to the Riyadh Central Hospital	499	100	Mar. 17
" "	Drilling of an artesian well near Nejran Hospital	500	50	Mar. 18
" "	Drinking water project in Ghilan village, Baljirsi	xx	500	Feb. 26
" "	Drinking water project in Nadhan, Amqan and Amshan towns	xx	100	Mar. 3
" "	Supply of ration in Jeddah and Taif regions for 79/80	xx	150	Feb. 20
Ministry of Defense and Aviation	Improvement to the Saudi office on King Khaled road, Jeddah	xx	4000	Apr. 9
Municipality of Qatif	Sanitation job and protection of environmental health in Qatif's rural areas	xx	1500	Mar. 31
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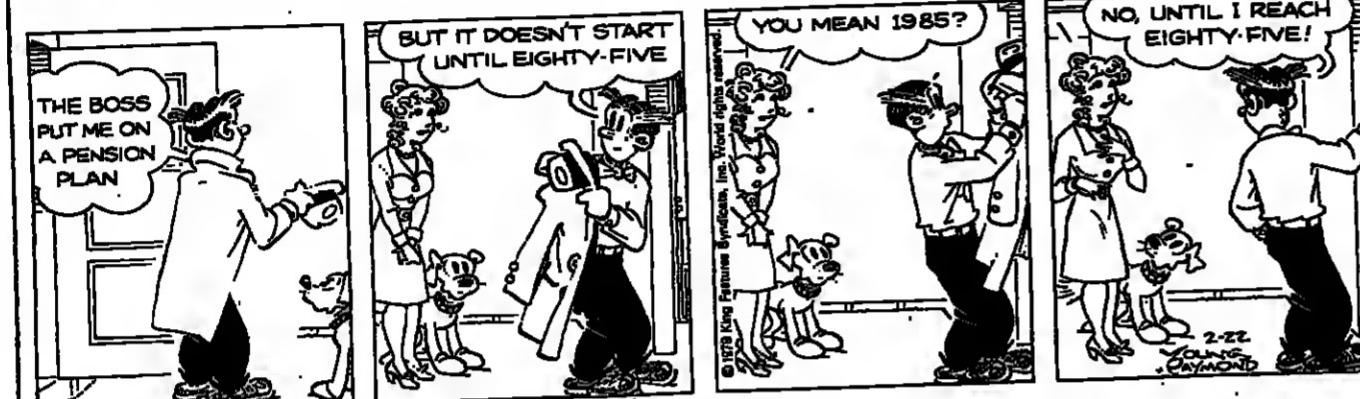
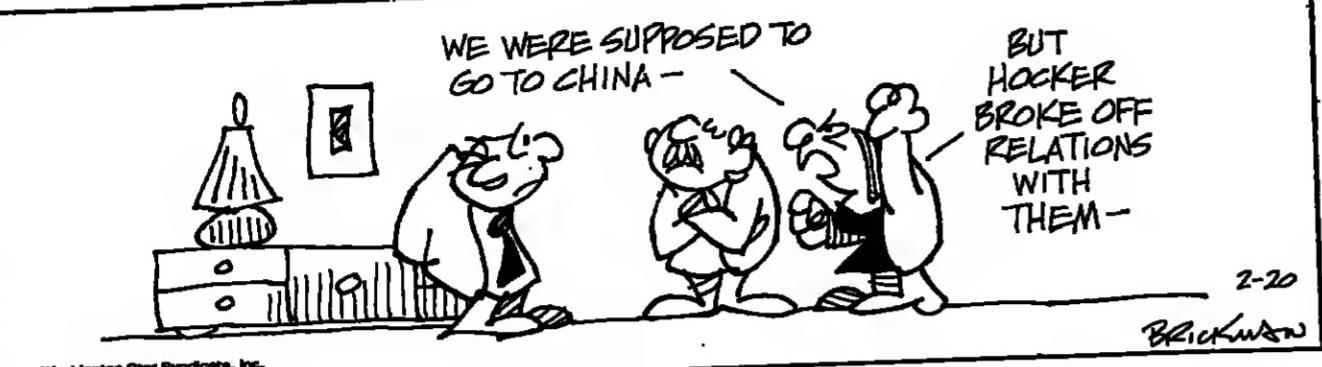
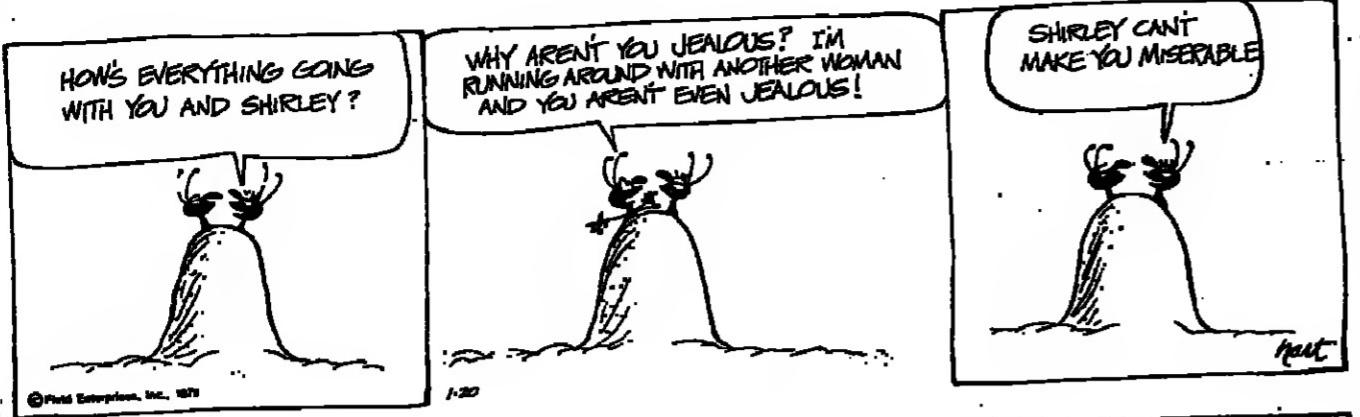
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Tanzanian troops threaten town, Uganda asserts

NAIROBI, Feb. 25 (Agencies) — Peace envoys from the Organization of African Unity (OAU) were due to leave for Tanzania and Uganda Sunday amid Ugandan reports that the southern town of Masaka was under attack by 20,000 Tanzanian troops, mercenaries and Ugandan exiles.

The report from Uganda Radio seemed to indicate a significant escalation in the 17-week conflict which began with a Ugandan invasion of part of northwest Tanzania.

It said there was fierce fighting in the town 130 kilometers from the capital, Kampala. It said, Masaka had been abandoned by all able-bodied civilians.

"Uganda is appealing to all friendly countries in Africa, the Arab world and the Third World to come to the rescue of the people of Uganda," the radio said.

Members of an OAU mediation committee were due to fly to Kampala and Dar es Salaam following 10 hours of talks in Nairobi aimed at ending the conflict. They were expected to present peace proposals to Ugandan President Idi Amin and Tanzanian President Julius Nyerere.

Earlier, Ugandan and Tanzanian delegations attending the Nairobi session of the OAU committee clashed Saturday over the wording of an OAU report on the current border conflict between the two neighbors.

Conference sources said that Tanzanian Foreign Minister Benjamin Mkapa took exception to a remark that Ugandan troops had withdrawn voluntarily from Tanzanian territory after occupying the northwest part of the country last October.

Uganda's Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Matias Lubega said that the report did not take into consideration previous Tanzanian acts of aggression against Uganda.

The Ugandan radio announcement of the fighting followed reports by diplomats in Nairobi and claims by Ugandan exiles that heavy fighting was going on on two fronts south of Kampala.

Mystery disease

3 more Naples babies die

NAPLES, Feb. 25 (AP) — Three more infants have died of the "mystery disease" that has now claimed the lives of at least 69 babies in Naples since it was first detected a year ago.

It was the worst day's toll yet.

Doctors at the Santobono Pediatric Hospital said all three had succumbed after developing "vital respiratory complications," a symptom rou-

nely associated with the malady.

The three were identified as Diego Lugo, seven months, and Cencello Arnone and Consola Arcucci, both six months.

Hospital sources said the angry parents and other family members of Concetta Arcucci tried to take her body out of the hospital to prevent an autopsy.

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Rhodesian strike killed 12, Nkomo says

LUSAKA, Feb. 25 (R) — Guerrilla leader Joshua Nkomo says 12 Rhodesian refugees were killed and 114 wounded in two attacks by Rhodesian bombers on one of his camps outside Lusaka.

The Zambian government also said Saturday a family of six Zambians had also been killed and eight others wounded when Rhodesian bombs destroyed farmhouses close to the Nampundwe Mine refugee camp Friday 30 kilometers from Lusaka.

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cribed as a wanton and unprovoked attack on Zambia by rebel forces.

But there was no official word from the Zambian authorities or from Nkomo's ZAPU (Zimbabwe African Peoples Union) about a second camp bombed by Rhodesian planes Friday.

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